# Chambers of Magistrate Judge B. Janice Ellington

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### **B. Janice Ellington**

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: November 14, 1996 Term Expires: November 2012

Career Law Clerk Linda Kring	(361)	888-3291
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## Chambers of Magistrate Judge Felix Recio, Jr.

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Felix Recio. Jr. Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1945 Education: U St Thomas (TX) 1971 BA Began Service: March 22, 1999 Term Expires: March 22, 2007

Government: Assistant Federal Public Defender (1986-1999)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1976-1986)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps (1962-1966)

Current Memberships: Cameron County Bar; Rio Grande Marine

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### Adriana Arce-Flores

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1963

Education: Texas 1983 BA; Texas Southern 1988 JD

Began Service: October 10, 2000 Term Expires: October 10, 2008

**Government:** Assistant Federal Public Defender (1989-2000)

Current Memberships: Laredo Bar Association; Laredo Women's Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

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### Peter E. Ormsby

Magistrate Judge

Education: Brigham Young 1984 JD Began Service: March 1, 2005 Term Expires: March 2013

### Staff

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### Chambers of Senior Judge David Hittner

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### **David Hittner**

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1939

Education: NYU 1961 BS, 1964 JD

Began Service: June 9, 1986

Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

E-mail: David\_Hittner@txs.uscourts.gov

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 133rd District (1978-1986)

Legal Practice: Associate, Lynch, Chappell, Allday & Hamilton (1967-1968); Diamond and Totz (1968-1972); Partner, Hittner & Cezeaux (and predecessor firms) (1972-1978)

Military Service: United States Army (1965-1966)

Current Memberships: American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation; State Bar of New York; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation

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## Chambers of Senior Judge Ewing Werlein, Jr.

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## Ewing Werlein, Jr.

Senior Judge

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Date of Birth: 1936

Education: Southern Methodist 1958 BA; Texas 1961 LLB

Began Service: May 22, 1992

Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1961); Associate then Partner, Vinson & Elkins (1964-1992)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1961-1964); United States Air Force Reserve (1964-1971)

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation; American College of Trial Lawyers; Federal Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation; International Society of Barristers; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation

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# Chambers of Chief Bankruptcy Judge Karen Kennedy

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### Karen Kennedy Brown

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1947

Education: Pennsylvania 1970 BA; Houston 1973 JD

Began Service: April 2, 1990

Term Expires: April 2018

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John Brown (1973-1975); Law Clerk The Honorable Woodrow Seals (1975-1976)

Government: Assistant Federal Public Defender, State of Texas (1976-1982)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1984-1990)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1982-1984)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; American Law Institute; Houston Federal Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; State Bar of Texas

Staff
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# Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Letitia Z. Clark

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# Letitia Z. Clark

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1945

Education: Rice 1967 BA; Rutgers 1970 MA; Syracuse 1973 JD

Began Service: 1985

Term Expires: 2012

Government: Attorney, State of Texas (1974-1976); Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Texas, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1982-1985)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1976-1982)

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### Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Richard S. Schmidt

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### Richard S. Schmidt

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1948

Education: New Mexico State 1970 BS; Texas 1973 JD

Began Service: July 31, 1987 Term Expires: July 30, 2015

Legal Practice: Partner, Smitherman, Lunn, Chastain & Hill (1978)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1973-1978)

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## Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge Wesley W. Steen

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## Wesley W. Steen

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1946 Education: LSU 1974 JD

Began Service: September 26, 1997 Term Expires: September 25, 2011

Judicial: Bankruptcy Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana (1983-1987)

Legal Practice: Sanders, Downing, Kean & Cazdessus (1974-1980); Wesley W. Steen, A Professional Law Corporation (1980-1983); Steen, Rubin, Curry, Colvin & Joseph (1983-1984); Winstead, Sechrest & Minick, P.C. (1988-1997)

Military Service: United States Navy (1968-1971)

Current Memberships: American Bankruptcy Institute; American Bar Association; American College of Bankruptcy, Fellow; College of the State Bar of Texas; Louisiana Bar Association; Texas Bar Association

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### Marvin Isgur

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